

**VISION 2020 STANDING COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 7, 2014 MEETING
Approved December 9, 2014**

Present: Juli Brazile, Joey Glushko, Bruce Fitzsimmons, Jane Howard, Elizabeth Karpati, Brucie Moulton, Paul Schlichtman,. **Absent:** Adria Arch, Kathleen Bodie, Steven Byrne, Adam Chapdelaine, Andrew Fischer, Mary Harrison, Gordon Jamieson, John Leone, Josh Lobel, Cheryl Miller, Angela Olszewski, Michael Stern. **Minutes:** Elizabeth Karpati

- The **minutes** of the September meeting were accepted with some corrections.
- **True Story Theater's** request to the Arlington Cultural Council is for funding for collaboration with Sustainable Arlington and the Recycling Committee for a workshop for environmental activists on what calls them to action, followed by a TST performance for the public. This could be tied in with the energy-themed EcoFest planned for March 7, 2015. It would be a "warm-up" for a more elaborate project to promote civic engagement, for which TST is seeking a National Endowment for the Arts grant to begin in 2015.
- **Town Day** comments: It went well, our location is good, our new banners well visible. Different "bays" for each task group work better than one long table. Activities with sachets and colored rice were popular. **Problems:** Displays must be secured against wind (a tall tripod was blown over several times); participants must be reminded to arrive early with all large items since the street closes at 8:15 a.m. Also, the bags holding our canopies are falling apart and will need to be replaced soon..
- **Census survey:** The first drafts of proposed questions were discussed and suggestions for improvements made. Juli will discuss these with each group submitting questions.
- **Task group/committee reports:**
 - Public Art has the painting of transformer boxes going on.
 - Spy Pond is considering organizing another festival like the "Spy Pond Splash" which was part of Arlington's 200th anniversary celebration in 2007.
 - Reservoir is asking Lexington to help with the costs of water chestnut removal since the Res lies partly in Lexington (but owned by Arlington).
 - Fiscal Resources is reviewing the assessment process.
 - Diversity is planning a film festival.
 - Sustainable Arlington is collaborating on planning the EcoFest, co-sponsoring some of the community education classes, and helping with the Town collection day in November.
- **Spending:** We have spent some of the money appropriated by Town Meeting on tables and banners (used at Town Day). Task groups need to submit receipts for any supplies purchased. Juli plans to send an e-mail about what is reimbursable and ask task groups what expenses they expect to have.